BENTON CHARTER TOWNSHIP

October 12, 2020

7:00 pm

The Benton Charter Township Board meeting was held at the Benton Township Hall, 5136 Windsor Hwy. Potterville, MI on October 13, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Roger Wickerham led those in attendance with the pledge to the flag.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Roger Wickerham. Others present from the Board were: Steve Davidson-Trustee, Karen Miller- Treasurer, Chris Tennes - Trustee and Eugene Shanahan - Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chris moved to approve the agenda. Steve supported. Motion carried 5 ayes; 0 nays.

The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the September Board meeting held on September 14, 2020 were presented. Steve moved to approve the minutes. Karen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 ayes; 0 nays.

RECOGNIZE VISITORS & PUBLIC COMMENT: Gary Suits, Nancy Meddaugh, Chuck Meddaugh, Sheriff - Tom Reich, Fire Department Chief - Tim James and Assistant Fire Chief - Don Buck.

No public comment offered.

REPORTS TO BOARD:

Sheriff Report: Tom Reich presented the Sheriff's report... There were 92 events. The Sheriff's Report will be put on file.

Fire Department Report - Chief James gave the Fire department report. The staff continues to work on operation protocol for COVID 19. Of the 115 service runs in September: 6 Benton Township fire runs, 12 City of Potterville and 2 Mutual Aid runs; the EMS runs, 25 in Benton Township, 14 City of Potterville and 56 Mutual Aid EMS runs. The Fire Department's Report will be put on file.

BILLS:

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| Karen noted a duplicate check issue. Chris moved to approve bills with modification for duplicate check. Gene supported. Roll Call Vote: Miller - Yea, Tennes - Yea, Davidson - Yea, Wickerham-Yea, Shanahan - Yea. Motion carried 5 yeas - 0 nays.  Clerk Report:  Total hours for month listed with increase due to number of absentee ballots requested . Continued training for new clerk ongoing with BSA, Bureau of Elections and Qualified Voter File programs. Assistance and training being provided by Lisa Lawitzke (Bellevue deputy clerk) and Carol Orlowski (Benton Charter Township deputy clerk.) Clerk report will be put on file.  Treasurer Report:  Total hours listed .Attended Township Board meeting and Fire Department Board meeting.  Financial report provided with possible modification due to duplicate check in bills. Treasurer report will be put on file.  Supervisor Report:  Roger noted hours along with Planning commission and committee Meetings, Township board meeting, Fire Board meeting. Seeking grant monies for a second tabulator, waiting on response. Supervisor report will be put on file.  Assessors Report: 2 building permits issued. Report will be put on file.  Planning & Zoning Report: 2 permits processed. Report will be put on file.  New Business: Municipal Insurance proposal was presented by Jason E. Orton of the David Chapman Agency to the board with a premium increase of approximately $2500 due to Pumper Fire Truck and added zoning coverage. Also noted that a complimentary Citizen Planner course was available for up to 2 staff members per year. Roger moved to accept the proposal for coverage for one year., Chris supported. Roll call vote: Wickerham - Yea. Tennes - Yea, Davidson - Yea, Miller - Yea, Shanahan - Yea. Motion carried 5 yeas - 0 nays.  Public comments again offered;  No additional comments.  Meeting Adjourned at 7:50PM. | | | |
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